

## Access to the Online Database and GIS Coverage of Kansas Archeological Sites

Using Transportation Enhancement funds provided through the Kansas Department of Transportation, the Kansas Historical Society sponsored the development of a GIS coverage that shows the location of over 14,000 recorded archeological sites in the state. The coverage is available to qualified individuals via the web and is hosted by DASC (the Data Access and Support Center, [kansasgis.org/](http://kansasgis.org/)). Users can view archeological site and survey coverages overlaying USGS 1:24,000 topographic and aerial photograph coverages. They also can access specific site records and in some cases can download survey and excavation reports, which are added to the database as resources permit.

### Cost

To offset maintenance costs, we are allowing qualified users to access the archeological coverage for a fee.

Two levels of access are available:

- \$50 for one week
- \$600 annually

Payment to KSHS can be made by check, direct billing with a purchase order, or by charge to a VISA or MasterCard account. These fees may be waived at the discretion of the state archeologist for government agencies, THPOs, or student researchers with the involvement of a faculty sponsor.

To apply for access, a form, available at [kshs.org/p/gis-data-coverage/15739](http://kshs.org/p/gis-data-coverage/15739), must be completed in its entirety. Users must meet the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards for Archeology (36 CFR 61, Appendix A) or must show sufficient qualifications as a land or resource manager. The KSHS archeology office reserves the right to deny access to unqualified individuals, as access to archeological records is exempt under the Kansas Open Records Act [K.S.A. 45-215 through 45-223, see specifically K.S.A. 45-22(a)(36)].

**Walk-in site searches by qualified individuals still can be conducted at no charge.**

If you elect to use the online service, complete the application form and email a scanned copy to [rhoard@kshs.org](mailto:rhoard@kshs.org), or fax it to 785-272-8682, attention: Bob Hoard. Once the application is approved we will contact you.



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In order to be able to access the GIS coverage and online database you will need to:

- Register (if you have not done so already) at [koufax.kgs.ku.edu/kshs/register.cfm](http://koufax.kgs.ku.edu/kshs/register.cfm)

When your application is accepted, we will set your access. Once we've done this:

- Go to: [maps.kansasgis.org/kshs/index.cfm](http://maps.kansasgis.org/kshs/index.cfm) From this address you will access our database to enter site forms and to keep records of your recorded sites. This also is the access portal to the GIS coverage.
- Enter your email and password to enter the system.
- Selecting "View map" for any site record will bring up the GIS coverage, showing the location of the site. Select or deselect layers on the right to make them visible or invisible. If you are having difficulty accessing the files, please contact me ([rhoard@kshs.org](mailto:rhoard@kshs.org)).

## Report a new site or revise an existing site form

You can enter a new site online.

- We encourage the use of UTM coordinates, but please also include section, township and range information
- Please include an image of a USGS 1:24,000 topographic map showing the site location
- When uploading documents (doc, pdf) and/or photographs (jpg) while entering a site form, please leave spaces and special characters out of the name of the file. **Example: AbbottSite2 rather than Abbott Site #2.**
- If revising an existing site form, please select Revise under Actions in a site form record, do not create a new site form.

## Survey and excavation reports online

We are making efforts to scan survey and excavation reports and attach these documents to the site and survey references so that they can be downloaded. If you need a survey report and cannot access it through the online resources, please contact [rhoard@kshs.org](mailto:rhoard@kshs.org). If time and resources permit we will scan it for you and send it via email.



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Permit number: \_\_\_\_\_  
(This will be issued by KSHS)

Applicant name \_\_\_\_\_

Firm, agency, university \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Period of access requested:**

(Fees may be waived for research or governmental work. Contact Bob Hoard at rhoard@kshs.org)

Full state access for one week (\$50)

Full state access for one year (\$600)

Describe your project(s) and how you will utilize the date you are requesting: \_\_\_\_\_

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List your qualifications as they pertain to Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards for Archeology (36 CFR 61, Appendix A) or your responsibilities and a land or resource manager.

Note to student applicants: Please list your faculty advisor and thier qualifications in this space.

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Please attach a resumé or vitae. A short version will suffice.



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Completion of this application implies understanding of and agreement with the following:

- You are aware that if you are granted access to archeological site location data, that this information is sensitive and restricted. Misuse or sharing of this data or sharing of passwords will result in an immediate termination of use and denial of future requests for use.
- Professional researchers, independent consultants, and avocational historians and archeologists have compiled this information. The level of observation of site recorders varies, as does site visibility through time. KSHS makes no warranty as to the accuracy or completeness of the data for any purposes.
- The absence of cultural resources in KSHS records does not necessarily mean that none are present. It is possible that the area in question has not been systematically surveyed.
- If a search for cultural resources location is undertaken as part of a project that is federally funded, licensed, or permitted, the responsible federal agency is required to allow the Kansas State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) the opportunity to comment under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Obtaining information on previously recorded cultural resources by archival research or accessing inventory data online does not constitute review under Section 106.
- You are liable for any access fees levied. KSHS or DASC can terminate your access to this data via the World Wide Web given just cause. Neither KSHS nor DASC are responsible for equipment or system failures leading to loss of access. KSHS and DASC will be acknowledged in any report, publication, or presentation that results from access to this data. A copy of a report using this data is requested for the KSHS cultural resources library.

These conditions are subject to change without notice.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

(For web applicants, a JPEG attachment of your signature, or a fax of this signed page will suffice)

Printed name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person: Bob Hoard, Kansas State Archeologist, Kansas Historical Society

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Payment type

Check (please attach)

Direct billing:

Please provide purchase order number: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit card

Mastercard     VISA

Card number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration date: \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

#### Send to:

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#### In-Office Use Only:

Fee fund account

\_\_\_\_\_ 2638 (Non-Federal)

\_\_\_\_\_ 3083 (Federal)

Permit number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date access begins: \_\_\_\_\_

Date access ends: \_\_\_\_\_

